

MARKED-UP VERSION OF AMENDMENTS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 3, line 24, the paragraph starting on this line has been amended as follows:

(Amended) A polarizer (polarizing film) made of an appropriate vinyl alcohol-polymer film that are known in the art, for example, polyvinyl alcohol film, a partially formalized polyvinyl alcohol film, or the like, i.e., an absorbing polarizer, is subjected to appropriate treatment such as dyeing with dichroic substances such as iodine and a dichroic dyestuff, stretching, crosslinking into any suitable orders and manners. Any polarizer can be used, as long as it allows linearly polarized light to pass through the film when natural light enters. In some embodiments, a polarizer with an excellent light transmittance and a polarization degree may be preferred.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 9 and 18 have been amended as follows:

9. (Amended) The polarizing plate according to claim 1, comprising a brightness-enhanced brightness enhancement film attached to the polarizing plate.
18. (Amended) The liquid crystal display according to claim 10, wherein a brightness-enhanced brightness enhancement film is attached to the polarizing plate.

New claims 19-27 have been added.

REMARKS

By the present amendment, the specification has been amended on page 3, claims 9 and 18 have been amended, and claims 19-27 have been added.

Support for the amendments is found in the original application, in particular in Table 1 on page 13 (claims 19-22) and on page 3, lines 24-32 (claims 23-27).

In the event there is, in the Examiner's opinion, any outstanding issue and such issue may be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of the response period. Please charge the fee for such extension and any other fees which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

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